

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**  
**(Large Entity)**

Docket No.  
**920522-905338**

In Re Application of **Wilmert De Bosscher**

Application No. <b>09/720,744</b>	Filing Date <b>June 11, 2001</b>	Examiner <b>Aaron M. Dunwoody</b>	Customer No. <b>23644</b>	Group Art Unit <b>3679</b>	Confirmation No. <b>5005</b>
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Invention: **VACUUM TIGHT COUPLING FOR TUBE SECTIONS**

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of July 12, 2004 above-identified application.  
*Date*

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

☐ One month    ☒ Two months    ☐ Three months    ☐ Four months    ☐ Five months

from: October 12, 2004    until: December 12, 2004  
*Date*    *Date*

The fee for the extension of time is **\$450** and is to be paid as follows:

- ☒ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.  
☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. **12-0913**  
☒ If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. **12-0913**  
☐ Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

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*Signature*

Dated: 12/13/04

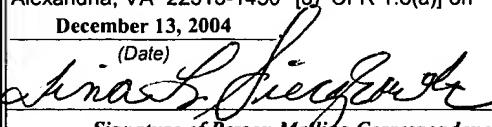
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